FISCAL NOTE

HB 1993 - SB 1959

April 27, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows any days accumulated in a school schedule to be applied toward meeting instructional time that was missed due to epidemics or illnesses, in addition to being used for time missed due to extreme weather conditions.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Estimate assumes:

- Since present law already allows for excess days to be applied to days missed for inclement weather, it is assumed that no additional cost would be incurred when the excess days are applied to days missed for epidemics or outbreaks of illnesses.
- The school system would have to accumulate days in order to use them in both instances.
- Under present law, only school systems that exceed the required 6.5 hours a day by at least 30 minutes every day for the entire school year will be credited with the extra days. Therefore, only school systems with 7 or more hours of instruction a day would be eligible to use the extra time for days lost due to epidemics or illnesses.
- Closing a school system due to an epidemic would not occur very often.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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